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SBA Names Macon Business 2012 Family Owned Business of the Year for Georgia

ATLANTA –Taylor Services of Macon, Georgia has been named the US Small Business Administration's 2012 Family Owned Business of the Year. The award recognizes the success company president Susan Taylor for founding and growing a company that now that has employed three generations of her family. The business was nominated by Lisa Perry of the Georgia Small Business Development Center in Macon.

The award is based increased employment opportunities for family members and non-family, demonstrated potential for long-ter business success and economic growth, and volunteer efforts in the community.

A registered nurse by training, Susan Taylor's career took a decidedly different path when she left the operating room behind to turn her part time septic tank service company into a full-fledged commercial business. Today with 12 full time employees and over thriving in sales, the company offers complete portable sanitation services as well as septic and drain services in Macon and Middle Georgia.

For the Taylors, sanitation is more than just a business, it is a family affair. Susan's husband, Tim, joined the company early on and at first her mother Kate helped run the portable toilet routes. Now the Taylor's two children have come on board to support the family's now thriving business.

A lot has changed in the six years since Taylor Services went full time. Doing business as Taylor Restrooms 2 Go, the company has a fleet of 13 trucks to service its sanitation equipment. It moved to a larger location in 2009 to accommodate its battery of equipment and growing personnel. The Taylors' success has not gone unnoticed. Susan has gained recognition as one of her industry's leading female owners, working trade shows and lobbying the state legislature on issues important to the sanitation industry. Her success caught the eye of the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce as well, which awarded her its Specialized Services Small Business Award in 2010.

The company was recognized at a luncheon hosted by the Georgia Lender Quality Circle in Atlanta on May 16. Other Georgia Small Business Week winners are: Small Business Persons of the Year, Laura Darnall and Lois Judy, Co-Owners of Candy Craft Creations of Garden City, Georgia; Financial Services Champion, Colby Cardin of Columbus GA; Exporter of the Year, Paresh Vyas, President of SKAPS of Athens, GA; and Judy Randle of Albany, GA, Women in Business Champion of the Year.

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